

WSAC's Strategic Action Plan Recommendations and Governor Inslee's Proposed Budget 2017-19

	WSAC Recommendation	Governor's Budget Proposal
Affordability	Maintain the commitment to College Bound Scholarship students	\$45 M for expected caseload in the College Bound Scholarship.
	Fully fund the State Need Grant program to serve all eligible students, restore one-time funding and ensure grants keep pace with tuition.	\$30 M to maintain 2015-17 service levels. \$116 M to serve an additional 14,000 eligible students in each year of the 17-19 biennium.
	Maintain a stable, predictable tuition policy.	Freezes tuition at public institutions. \$35.2 M to fund backfill for the public baccalaureate institutions. \$21 M to fund backfill for SBCTC.
	Provide ample funding for higher education to maintain quality .	\$99 M compensation funding for the public baccalaureates \$32 M compensation funding for the SBCTC.
	Maintain state match for private donations raised for the Washington State Opportunity Scholarship .	\$15 M to match private donations for current program. \$3 M to expand scholarship eligibility to workforce training programs.
Readiness	Expand dual credit opportunities for low-income students.	No additional funding provided, but \$10 M in existing funding is provided to districts to support dual credit programs and subsidize exam fees.
	Invest in K12 counseling and high school completion efforts. Provide opportunity gap innovation grants.	\$325 M to increase the number of student support staff in K-12 \$50 M for the Learning Assistance Program for services for students scoring below grade-level in English and math. \$400,000 to DSHS to expand Check and Connect program for students showing signs of disengagement and supports military families. \$1.5 M to SBCTC to expand MESA program, supporting secondary students in math/science and engineering.

Completion	Invest in SBCTC's Guided Pathways initiative to increase completions.	\$8.5 M for Guided Pathways initiative.
	Expand I-BEST program for students in short-term programs.	No additional funding provided.
	Expand successful post-secondary student supports within four-year institutions.	\$10 M in student success funding: WWU: \$3.6 M, EWU: \$2.7 M, CWU: \$2.7 M, TESC: \$800 K.
Employment	Provide work-based learning opportunities by expanding State Work Study.	No additional funding provided at postsecondary level. \$6 M in new funding to offer career-connected learning experiences and apprenticeship training for secondary students.
	Expand investments in fields with anticipated workforce shortages .	\$5 M enhancement (\$6 M total) for curriculum development, teacher training and technology supplies for K-12 schools through Computer Science for Everyone. \$10 M to UW to expand WWAMI medical education in Spokane. \$10 M to WSU for Elson Floyd School of Medicine. \$11 M to PESB to expand the Alternative Routes to Teaching program. \$57.5 M to expand beginning teacher and principal mentoring/support programs.